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LET'S HAVE A NEW NEGRO HOSPITAL

JUSTICE PREVAILS

Negro Segregation in South Abolished

Supreme Court's Decision Against Louisville Affects Many Other Cities.

Washington, Nov. 5.—Louisville's Negro segregation ordinance was today declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

The decision affects similar ordinances in Baltimore, Richmond, St. Louis and many other Southern cities. In rendering the opinion, Justice Day said:

"The authority of the state to pass laws in the exercise of the police power, having for their object the promotion of the public health, safety and welfare, is very broad and has been affirmed in numerous and recent decisions of this court. But it is equally well established that the police power, broad as it is, cannot justify the passage of a law or ordinance which runs counter to the limitations of the federal constitution.

"That there exists a serious and difficult problem arising from a feeling of race hostility, which the law is powerless to control and to which it must give a measure of consideration, may be freely admitted. But this solution cannot be promoted by depriving citizens of their constitutional rights and privileges. The right which the ordinance annulled was the civil right of a white man to dispose of his property if he saw fit to do so to a person of color and of a colored person to make such disposition to a white person.

"We think this attempt to prevent the alienation of the property in question to a person of color was not legitimate exercise of the police power of the state and is in direct violation of the constitution."

St. Louis, Nov. 5.—The Negro segregation ordinance of St. Louis never has been operative, as its enforcement was enjoined by the federal district court.

NEGROES REAL PATRIOTS.

Majority of Those Drafted Anxious to Serve.

Is it because they have fewer responsibilities than the white men that claims for exemption by negroes who registered for the selective draft of June 5 last are so few that they appear as negligible when compared with the large percentage filed by his white brothers? Or is it that the American negro is more naturally a patriot when his country needs his services? There are those who hold to the first opinion and many more who believe that the Negro is a natural born patriot.

"It is remarkable how few claims for exemption were filed by Negroes who have been certified for service," said Matt Hall, chairman of the district appeal board, yesterday. "And the few who did file claims appeared to have valid reasons for exemption."

"I recall one Negro who was certified from a county east of here. He had made no claim for exemption when he registered and filed none after he had been certified here. Therefore, he was sent to Camp Funston with hundreds of others who have gone from this district lately."

"After he had gone there a white citizen of his county called on the board and drew attention to the Negro's case. He said the man was a farm hand and never had been known to be idle. Also that the Negro had a wife and three children depending on him for support and they would become objects of charity if the government took him away."

"The citizen was advised to bring these facts before the board, in the proper form. This was done, the case of the negro was reopened and he was exempted and sent back home."

It was learned later that the Negro had made no claim for exemption himself because he regarded it as his duty

DISCOVERY.

I stood outside the golden gate,
That men call "Opportunity,"
Knocking and patiently did wait,
Thinking 'twould open unto me.

The years flew fast, and yet I stood,
While toward mid-day my life's sun rose.
"Will it open now to my strong manhood,
Or wait till evening shadows close?"

I cried aloud, but to my call
Came back no answer from within,
At last I thought to stake my all
Upon my own sure strength to win.

Ready to fail, I closed my eyes,
Stept' forward and the gate-latch tried,
And lo, I found, to my surprise,
The massive gate swung open wide!

—Roscoe C. Jamison.

PLAN NEGRO SOLDIERS' FUND.

National Campaign for 2 Million to Be Started Soon.

Washington, Nov. 7.—The colored soldiers' comfort committee, a national organization for the relief of negro soldiers and their dependents, has just been organized here and will seek to raise 2 million dollars for the work. Prof. KeKilly Miller, dean of Howard University here, has been chosen president; Ralph W. Tyler, Columbus, O., national secretary; J. C. Mapier, Nashville, Tenn., treasurer. Moving pictures with a negro cast is to be one of the means to raise the fund.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

Dr. S. L. Brooks pastor of the A. M. E. church, Independence, will hold his first quarterly meeting Sunday November 11 at 3:00 p. m. The eloquent Dr. F. B. Wells of Bethel church will preach the Sacramental sermon. All are invited.

Negro Who Didn't Register Was Given Six Months' Sentence.

Opal Richardson, a negro of Excelsior Springs, Mo., was sentenced to six months in the county jail by Judge A. S. Van Valkenburgh of the federal court for not registering for the draft. The light sentence was given on the request of W. G. Lynch, United States attorney.

NOTICE.

A service in the interest of Food Saving Campaign will be held at Allen Chapel Sunday evening, November 11, at 7:45 p. m. Speakers: Mr. Frank Witherspoon, Mrs. A. H. Conway, Mr. F. S. Brewster, Mrs. A. T. Heminway, recently from France; Mrs. John Lange will preside. Samples of war bread, spoon bread, substitutes for fish, meat or sugar will be displayed.



DR. J. EDWARD PERRY.

Kansas City's foremost physician and one of the most skillful surgeons regardless of race in the West, the founder of the Perry Sanitarium, now the Wheatley-Provident Hospital, and an aggressive worker for all things for racial uplift. Dr. Perry is now in Texas conducting Surgical Clinics and will be gone about ten days. He was accompanied by his talented wife, granddaughter of the immortal Frederick Douglas and Dr. T. A. Jones who also is a brother-in-law of Dr. and Mrs. Perry.

NEGRO CONTINGENT LIVES UP THINGS AT CAMP FUNSTON.

They are Showing More Pep and Enthusiasm Than Any Others Thus Far, and Keep Soldiers Laughing.

Camp Funston, Kas.—Big Bert Williams and McIntyre and Heath have been pulling a laugh occasionally with their footlight capers, but theirs is "funeral stuff" compared to the stunts put on by this camp. There are hundreds of Bert Williamses here with a big show going on all the time. And it's all free.

Even the glum-faced pessimists who predicted evil with the coming of the negroes are admitting that thus far the Negroes have shown more pep and enthusiasm than any contingent that has arrived. There have been more hearty, wholesome laughs in camp since yesterday morning than there have been for a week, and the negroes aren't doing all the laughing, either.

Each arriving train brings in a few of the Negroes, cheering, singing, playing instruments that range from a bass horn to a banjo. Yesterday a special train arrived with 550 of them from Missouri points.

Big Negro Leads Contingent.

There were big fat Negroes; little skinny ones; short, fat ones; dandies with silk socks and red, white and blue caps, and the work-a-day kind with patches on their trousers. One big black from Macon, Mo., fully 6 feet 6 inches tall, wore a bright red uniform of a minstrel show of bygone days and proudly led his quota up to the receiving station. Bowing and scraping he handed the papers to Lieut. Walter L. Schmitz, receiving officer.

Many of them brought razors, carried in sheathes at their hips, and declared they "didn't need no other weapon."

A little fat Negro from southern Missouri had a big fat 'possum which will be his company's mascot—until Thanksgiving day. Then he'll be dinner.

Musical Instruments, But No Clothes. Some of the Negroes didn't even have coats to keep off the cold wind, but clutched tightly to a cornet, a guitar or a banjo.

Col. E. M. Bigelow, who has been taking charge of the Negro troops as they arrive, is leaving it to the medical officers to say whether or not the Negroes shall take cold baths immediately on their arrival. Negroes are very susceptible to pneumonia and as there is no warm water now, it is probable the cold shower will be postponed for a while. The men are being given a uniform, all are being given good warm clothing and overcoats. Plenty of bad clothing also is being issued.

The Negroes will be assigned to the 92nd division, to be commanded by Brig. Gen. C. C. Ballen. They are being quartered in barracks formerly occupied by depot brigade troops that were sent to other training camps to fill out national guard organizations.

Musical Midway Noisy. "Musical Midway," the place has been designated unofficially by the men of the 92nd division, because of the noise that bursts forth there each night. Already a dozen orchestras have been organized; there are a score of "porter quartets," to say nothing of banjoists and soloists who seek to outdo each other. There'd be about 100 bands in the 92nd division if the men of that unit had their say.

Although organization is scarcely under way, the Negroes are learning the "one-two-three-four" stuff in great style. They keep time beautifully; they're strong on rhythm, but they are just a bit inclined to put in a fancy dance step now and then.

When the commander of one company asked if there were any men who had had experience in waiting tables, all but nine stepped forward.—K. C. Post.

NATIONAL ART LEAGUE.

The National Historical Art League, represented by its president, Mrs. Francis R. Givens of Louisville, Ky., held a most enthusiastic meeting Monday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. under the auspices of the City Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. L. A. McCampbell, president. The purpose of the National Historical Art League is to perpetuate the history of our artists, authors, leaders, heroes, and to provide a training school in the Fine Arts to develop the talent of the Negro race. The Women's League, the oldest club, was the first to pledge membership. Six others fell in line, and the others have it under consideration.

Negro Shot Wife After Quarrel.

Following a quarrel, Harry Davis, a negro, 57 South James street, met his wife, Mrs. Florence Davis, 22 years old, last night at Meyers avenue and James street, and shot her in the right arm and right side with a shotgun. She was taken to the Bethany hospital. It was thought she will recover. Davis is being sought by the police.

WHAT CAN I DO FOR THE COLORED SOLDIERS?

Why, send them THE KANSAS CITY SUN! It contains all the news of the race and is more satisfying than a letter from home. CALL US UP Bell Phone East 999.



BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

Men (flesh, bone, sinew and so on) die. Mind (thought, energy, spirit) lives. It is immortal. This man who thought and was energetic throughout his whole career for the uplift of mankind was moved by no ordinary spirit. There surely was a touch of something higher in his very nature. He only expressed no anger under severe trials, who was patient under caustic oppression, and meek though flattered by the great must have had the discernment that pierces through the clouds which obscure this vision of men. And now two full years have marked the circle which will measure out the centuries in which his memory is destined to live.—Starks.

to answer the call of his country when it needed him. He felt that his wife and children would be cared for by the community while he was away fighting, but Uncle Sam does not figure it the duty of such men with dependents to go to the front while there are so many others who can take their places in the early call.

The Sun for 25c from now until January 1, 1918.

The Oddfellows Choir under the direction of Mr. A. T. Moore gave an excellent program to an overflowing audience at the monthly free musical concert in Lincoln High school Auditorium last Sunday.

FOOTBALL

Western University vs Geo. R. Smith College, Sedalia, Mo. AT BRENNESSEN PARK, ARMOURDALE, KANS.

Take Argentine, Wyandotte and Tenth Street Cars and ride to Fifth and Kansas.

Friday, November 16, 1917.

Game called at 3:30 o'clock.

Admission 25 cents.